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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Nicole BARIE et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired September 2, 2004, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for two months. There is also attached our Check No. 18/15 in the amount of \$430.00 in payment for:

- Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].
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- Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$980.00) [\$490.00].

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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